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TECHNICAL COMMUNICATION

ACCESSION NO: [REDACTED]

22 June 1951

TO: Chief, Communications Division
Attn: Chief, Communications Engineering

FROM: [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: General Information

Received cable stating that RG-85/U cable is on the way, and have made inquiries concerning machinery to buy the cable. The nearest [REDACTED] base has an engineering battalion and they have a trench digger which can be used. However, a formal request has not been submitted yet, since some of [REDACTED] telephone people say they have a cable plow which would handle the job easily. Am awaiting a call from [REDACTED] engineer who has more definite information as to its capabilities and availability.

Yesterday morning (Wednesday) the contractor who is to do the modification work in [REDACTED] at [REDACTED] arrived on the site and began unloading bricks, sand, cement, etc. prior to starting work on the vault, storerooms, office and latrine. We have asked that this have priority over all other rehabilitation work since it is needed the most for storage of loose gear, office for [REDACTED] etc. The clerk of works who gives the contracting foreman his orders states that the job should be finished in approximately 5 weeks in [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] has been attempting to solve the manpower problem by hiring local labor for odd jobs, and has received a go-ahead signal from the [REDACTED] but as yet has only found one man willing to work in this area. The wage rate is set by the [REDACTED] and hiring is done through the [REDACTED]. Most people interviewed have indicated that they could do as well or better at places closer to their homes.

[REDACTED] has been in touch with the [REDACTED] sections working on the plans for the transmitter and receiver buildings. Unofficially, the contact that [REDACTED] has in the electrical section stated that a letter was circulating in the [REDACTED] stating that the T & R buildings were scheduled to start on July 1, 1951 and be finished in 7 months. However, no information on this has been received officially either by [REDACTED]. Since we are well into the summer, [REDACTED] has started pressuring through his [REDACTED] contacts with a view of getting the work started soon so that winter weather will not cause delays.

Estimates for the cost of the diesel house have not come out of the [REDACTED] yet, although sketch drawings for the use of the estimating people were prepared.

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Since work is expected to start soon, [REDACTED] moved from [REDACTED] to a nearby town and spends the majority of his time on the sites, and makes trips to [REDACTED] about twice week to pick up correspondence and visit the [REDACTED] office, [REDACTED]

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With reference to the microwave towers for the permanent station, [REDACTED] made a rough survey of the part of the hill over which the beam passes. The heights of the trees on top of the hill were estimated by use of a transit and found to be more than 90' in some cases. A graph combining data taken by [REDACTED] and contours information from a map will be sent to the Home Office shortly.

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